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REPLIESTAKES EXCEPTION TO CERTAIN  
STATEMENTS OF GRAND  
JURY.Reply to Report of Grand Jury, rela-  
tive to State Bank and Trust  
Company, Tonopah.

After reading the report of the Grand Jury as published in the daily papers, and noting particularly the criticisms as to the management of the affairs of the State Bank and Trust Company, Tonopah agency, I feel impelled to publish a few comments on said report, which makes, in my opinion, a number of assertions wholly unjustifiable and unwarranted, from my actual knowledge of existing conditions.

The remarks that I shall make in this article cover only the branches of the State Bank and Trust Company at Tonopah, Blair, and Manhattan, as these points come under the personal supervision of the writer. As to the affairs of the State Bank and Trust Company, Carson City, where is located the headquarters of said bank, or as to those of the Goldfield branch, I have nothing to say, for the reason that I know absolutely nothing of the business at these points.

Our reports from each agency are made direct to Carson, and twice each year a statement of the affairs of the State Bank and Trust Company as a whole is published for the information of the public at large, and the stockholders of said bank.

The Grand Jury, in making up its report, has apparently completely ignored all statements made under oath to that body by myself relative particularly to the Tonopah agency, and has succeeded in making an entirely one-sided and apparently prejudiced report, which places the writer, who has had the management of the said agency, in a false and uncalled for position with the clients of the bank and the public at large.

Regarding the closing of the bank, it will be recalled that this agency closed its doors on October 23d, 1907, at 11 o'clock a. m. All the information I had as to the necessity of taking this action came to me by wire from James T. Davis, our cashier at Carson City, Nevada, a few minutes before closing, and upon receipt of his telegram instructing us to close our doors, I promptly complied. All the deposits received that morning were returned to the depositors, and had we on the 23d of October received any intimation that the bank was not solvent and would close its doors, this agency would certainly not have received any deposits on that date, nor on any other date on which we might have been cognizant of such a state of affairs.

In fact, up to this time the only knowledge that I have had as to the solvency or the insolvency of the State Bank and Trust Company comes through the State Board of Bank Examiners, comprised of the highest officials of the State, and which Board after receiving report from the State Bank Examiner pronounced the State Bank and Trust Company solvent.

At the time the Grand Jury sent a committee to this bank for the purpose of examining our books, State Bank Examiner Miller was present, and I wish to say most emphatically that the only objection I made to the examination of our clients' accounts by the committee of the Grand Jury was based on the fact that the relations between the bank and its clients are and should be as sacred as those between a lawyer and his clients, or a doctor and his patients. I stated plainly to the committee that if they claimed that a crime had been committed, and that they were in search of the necessary information to fasten such crime on the perpetrator thereof, all objections would be withdrawn, and the examination permitted of any books and papers connected with the matter.

The committee stated that it had no knowledge of a crime, but as a

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RICKEY BOUND  
OVER TO THE  
GRAND JURYFORCE HAND OF  
THE PROSECUTOR

(By Associated Press.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—Subpoenas were issued and served tonight on Superior Judges Dunne and Lawlor, on District Attorney Langdon, Assistant District Attorney Heney and Detective Burns commanding them to appear in Judge Lawlor's court tomorrow morning to testify in regard to the immunity contract alleged to have been granted Abraham Ruef in return for his testimony and now alleged to have been violated by members of the prosecution.

STRIKE LOCKS OUT  
EIGHT THOUSAND

(By Associated Press.)  
DETROIT, Feb. 19.—The Detroit, Michigan, Peninsular and Art Stove companies here, which employed 7000 men, today issued a joint statement to the public pointing out that the demands of 280 stove mounters, which they considered unreasonable, are keeping 8000 other men out of work. The companies unite in stating that as soon as the Mounters' Union conceded them the right to lay off men for whom there is no work, the four establishments will open.

STUDENTS INJURED  
BY FLYING ROCKS

(By Associated Press.)  
BERKELEY, Cal., Feb. 19.—An overcharge of giant powder in blasting out the Doe memorial library foundation of the University of California this afternoon, hurled a shower of rocks through the windows of a classroom in North Hall, a hundred feet away. Kelso Glover, a sophomore, of Los Angeles, was hit on the head by a rock and severely injured. Miss Mabel Usinger was slightly injured by flying gravel. Glover's injuries are not considered serious.

COTTON MILLS CUT  
WORKING TIME

(By Associated Press.)  
WALTHAM, Mass., Feb. 19.—The cotton mills of the Boston Manufacturing Company will hereafter be closed on Fridays and Saturdays, a reduction of working time from 53 to 42 hours a week. Nine hundred men are affected.

TRAIN STALLED  
IN SNOW DRIFT

(By Associated Press.)  
LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 19.—The Nebraska and Rock Island west bound continental limited express is still stalled in a snow drift near Prairie Home, twelve miles from here. Aside from an enforced delay, which has continued since yesterday afternoon, passengers have not suffered great inconveniences. The dining car is well supplied and the coaches are kept comfortable. Trains throughout the State are delayed owing to snow storms.

District Attorney Makes Serious Charges Against State Bank Commission in the Course of Argument Before Magistrate—Says Two of Its Members Were Interested in Bank Which They Were Investigating.

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 19.—Both sides at the hearing of T. B. Rickey of the State Bank and Trust Company, finished their arguments this afternoon. Mr. Chantz, attorney for the defendant, stated that Attorney General Stoddard declared the bank solvent, and under such testimony that there could not be anything criminal to hold Rickey. District Attorney Roberts, in his summing up address to the judge made a number of serious charges both against Rickey and the Bank Commission. He stated that at the time the State board was investigating the banks, two of the members were interested in the bank. He further stated that in case any indictments were found by the Grand Jury against Rickey, that cases would be brought against every director and clerk. Rickey was held over to the Grand Jury on a charge of embezzlement and was remanded to the custody of the sheriff, while his bond was fixed at \$10,000, which was immediately furnished.

DEVELOPMENTS  
UNDER DACITE

Mark Kerr Gives Out Latest News of What Is Being Done in the Intrusion Area,

Mark B. Kerr, consulting engineer for several properties in Tonopah has completed his inspection of the underground workings of those properties and yesterday gave out the latest news of what is being done in the intrusive area.

"Development in depth continues to be prosecuted in various mines of the camp," said Mr. Kerr. "The North Star at the 1250 level, in the west drift along the fault plane is finding considerable stringers of ore which goes from \$15 to \$20 a ton. The drift is being developed to the westward."

"It is to the Midway that the attention of the management of other mines is being directed, this property being particularly active in the development work on the edge of the intrusive area. The Midway will continue to sink on the winze from the eight hundred, until an approximate depth of two hundred feet is

reached when the ore body there will be prospected. This will make a depth in the mine of 1000 feet from the collar of the main working shaft. The Montana Tonopah will develop their low grade ore body below the 765 level, and they will be guided by the developments of the Midway."

"The Mizpah Extension is preparing to get under the ore body, which is known to exist there. The work will be prosecuted under the 500 level. In the West End, as well as the Montana Tonopah, the work of development is going on steadily."

The depths of which Mr. Kerr speaks will correlate with those of the Belmont, where it is supposed that they have already got beneath the dacite formation in the lower levels. Another strike has been made in the Belmont; this time on the 900 level, where an eighteen-inch vein has been uncovered, the ore averaging in the neighborhood of \$50 a ton.

CONVICTED BANKER  
IS GIVEN LIBERTY

CLEVELAND, Feb. 19.—R. N. Ford, a banker, convicted of wrecking the Burton National Bank at Burton, Ohio, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary was freed today by the circuit court which declared that he was sentenced illegally because the law under which he was sentenced was passed after the bank failed.

Ford is a son of the late Governor Seabury Ford. His brother, George Ford, was United States Bank Examiner at the time of the failure of the Burton bank.

SENATE RATIFIES  
SEVERAL TREATIES

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The Senate in executive session today ratified the arbitration convention between the United States and France, which was signed February 10th. The naturalization treaty between the United States and Peru was also ratified.

BRYAN TO ATTEND CONVENTION.  
LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 19.—William J. Bryan will attend the Democratic State convention at Omaha, March 5th.

SCENT  
MURDER  
OF SQUAWSUSPICION OF THE AUTHORITIES  
AROUSED OVER DEATH OF  
INDIAN WOMAN.

Indian Frank is locked up in jail, pending a hearing on the death of his squaw. The latter, who is well known in the city, was found dead under conditions which give rise to the theory that she was murdered. Indian Frank and another Indian named Mike Clifford came into town from the Indian colony yesterday morning, and wanted to make arrangements for the burial of the woman. They were directed to Judge Brissell, and upon being questioned, the suspicions of his honor were excited. He noticed that Frank had blood on his hand and clothing.

Judge Brissell, accompanied by an officer, went out to the Indian settlement and found the body of the squaw in a tent which was filled with smoke from a smoldering mattress, which had evidently been set afire with the idea of destroying the evidence of crime by burning the body. There were a number of wounds on the head of the dead woman, and it was found that she had been dragged from a spot some distance away, where there were a number of broken bottles, with which in all probability her death blow had been inflicted.

The authorities believe that Indian Frank committed the murder and have locked him up on suspicion. He and Clifford were drunk when they made their appearance before Judge Brissell.

PERUVIANS WILL  
RECEIVE FLEET

(By Associated Press.)  
LIMA, Peru, Feb. 19.—The American battleship fleet is expected to reach Callao about 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. Two wireless messages were received here this morning. The first conveyed the information that the fleet was then 224 miles from port and the second, at a much later time in the day, forwarded a message of thanks from Admiral Evans. He expressed appreciation of the affectionate welcome by the Peruvian nation and its president. The government has issued a decree making Saturday a holiday in honor of Washington's birthday and the Americans' visit, and ordered the Peruvian warships to salute the American flag at noon. Banks and commercial houses have decided to close tomorrow. President Pardo will give a public reception to Rear Admiral Evans and the other officers of the fleet on Friday afternoon.

VIENNA FEELS  
SLIGHT QUAKE

(By Associated Press.)  
VIENNA, Feb. 19.—An earthquake shock lasting two seconds occurred here at 10:14 o'clock tonight. No damage was reported, but the shock was so strong that the recording pencils at the seismographic station were displaced. Leilback station recorded earth shocks lasting four minutes.

NEGROES FIGHT ON STREET.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Two negroes, known as Diamonds and Robert White, started to settle their difficulties by a fist fight in front of the police station yesterday morning, and Chief of Police Malley opened the door and gathered them in. Later they were charged with disturbing the peace.

FRENCH  
SOLDIERS  
ROUTEDARE DEFEATED BY TRIBES-  
MEN UNDER MULAI  
HAFID.

(By Associated Press.)  
PARIS, Feb. 19.—A special from Tangier says the French steamer Maroon, from Casa Blanca, reports that General D'Amade, venturing too far beyond Settat, his communications were cut by the followers of Mulai Hafid, who, in great force routed all the French outlying posts. The greatest anxiety prevails at Casa Blanca, it is said. Spanish troops are preparing to defend the city. Marines, it is reported, have landed from the French cruiser Kleber. It is further reported that the French column stationed near Rabat was defeated by tribesmen with great loss. According to the latest dispatches from Rear Admiral Philibert, he says all is quiet.

GOULD SECURITIES  
ON DOWN GRADE

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The feature of the financial situation which was brought into notice by the action of today's stock market, was the position of corporations, especially railroads, with important maturing obligations to meet. While the falling off in their earning power has encroached so far on the margin of surplus available for distribution as to seriously impair the market standing of the securities, the Gould group was acutely affected by these considerations today and the securities of other companies, whose position is believed to be analogous, showed the greatest sympathy. Bonds were weak.

WAS NOT VICTIM  
OF FOUL PLAY

(By Associated Press.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—The suspicion that Frederick Tetrault, a clerk, who died in the house of Mrs. Brinkman at an early hour today, came to his death by foul means, was allayed by inquest, which established the fact that death was due to pneumonia or carbolic acid poisoning. It was first thought Tetrault was murdered, as a deep gash was found on the back of his head. He was intoxicated when he entered the room, an dthe theory is that he drank carbolic acid with an intent to commit suicide.

PRISONERS ARE  
BROUGHT TO TIME

(By Associated Press.)  
REDDING, Cal., Feb. 19.—After two days on bread and water, Shasta county's chain gang of eleven men surrendered this evening to the sheriff. They begged to be given the regular meal provided prisoners, and promised faithfully to go to work tomorrow.

BOND BROKERS  
GO TO THE WALL

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19.—The firm of A. N. Chandler & Co., bankers and bond brokers here, with offices in New York, made an assignment today for the benefit of its creditors.